



South Coast Air Quality Management District

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Office of the Secretary for Resources
Attn: General Counsel's Office
1416 9th Street, Suite 1311
Sacramento, CA 95814

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find two copies of the Notice of Decision (NOD) for the CEQA document prepared for Proposed Amended Rule (PAR) 1171 – *Solvent Cleaning Operations*. The Final Subsequent Environmental Assessment (SEA) for PAR 1171 was prepared pursuant to CEQA and the South Coast Air Quality Management District's (SCAQMD) certified regulatory program. The CEQA document was certified by SCAQMD's Governing Board at its February 1, 2008, Public Hearing. Please record and post the NOD according to the provisions of CEQA.

SCAQMD Rule 110 requires that written responses to public comments on a SCAQMD CEQA document be filed with the Secretary of Resources along with the Notice of Decision. One comment letter was received on the Draft SEA for PAR 1171, therefore, a copy of the Final SEA, which includes the comment letter and responses to the comment letter, is enclosed.

It was determined that the proposed project qualifies for the "no effect" fee exemption in accordance with recently revised Department of Fish and Game Code §711.4, Title 14, California Code of Regulations (CCR) and, therefore, a copy of the signed Fish and Game "no effect" fee exemption form is attached to prove compliance and ensure immediate posting of the NOD.

Please confirm receipt of one copy of the NOD and return them to the undersigned. Two return envelopes have been provided for your convenience (one for the confirmed copy upon receipt, and one for the original NOD to be returned after the posting period). If you have any questions, please call me at (909) 396-3054 or Michael Krause at (909) 396-2706.

Sincerely,

Steve Smith, Ph.D.
CEQA Program Supervisor
Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources

Enclosures

NOTICE OF DECISION

To: Office of the Secretary for Resources
General Counsel's Office
1416 9th Street, Suite 1311
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: SCAQMD
Planning, Rules and Area Sources
21865 Copley Drive
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Subject: FILING OF NOTICE OF DECISION IN COMPLIANCE WITH §21080.5 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

Project Title: Final Subsequent Environmental Assessment: Proposed Amended Rule 1171 – Solvent Cleaning Operations

Lead Agency: South Coast Air Quality Management District

SCAQMD Number: 071121MK **Date Certified:** February 1, 2008

Contact Person: Michael Krause **Telephone Number:** (909) 396-2706

Project Location: South Coast Air Quality Management District area of jurisdiction: South Coast Air Basin (all of Orange County and the nondesert portions of Los Angeles, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties), and the Riverside County portions of the Salton Sea Air Basin and Mojave Desert Air Basin

Project Description: The proposed project involves 1) extending final compliance with a lower volatile organic compound (VOC) content limit for ultraviolet or electron beam (UV/EB) ink application equipment for one year until January 1, 2009; 2) create a new solvent coating subcategory called on-press cleaning of screens and provide one-year extension of final compliance date; and 3) create a new metering roller, dampening roller, and printing plate category applicable only to UV/EB ink application equipment and extend the final compliance date one year. Other amendments include new requirements for labeling and reporting from suppliers, as well as removing outdated rule requirements. Delaying the final compliance date will result in emission reductions foregone that would exceed the SCAQMD's daily VOC operational significance threshold, so the air quality impacts have been determined to be significant.

This is to advise that the South Coast Air Quality Management District has approved the above described project and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

1. A Final Subsequent Environmental Assessment (SEA) for proposed amended Rule 1171 was approved pursuant to the provision of CEQA and SCAQMD Rule 110.
2. The Final SEA concluded that the proposed project would have a significant impact on the environment.
3. Findings and a Statement of Overriding Considerations were adopted for this project pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §§15091 and 15093, respectively.
4. No feasible mitigation measures were identified for this project and, therefore, a mitigation monitoring program under PRC § 21081.6 was not adopted for this project.

The Final SEA, supporting documentation, and record of project approval may be examined at: SCAQMD, 21865 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, CA 91765.

Date Received for Filing

Signature: _____
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